

REMARKS

Reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant has delete reference to Serial No. 09/256,411 and is no longer claiming the benefit of priority.

The abstract has been amended to less than 150 words.

The claims have been amended to overcome the objections. No new matter has been added.

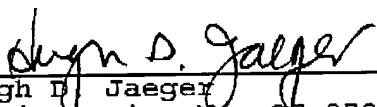
A terminal disclaimer with the fee is attached.

If there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the prosecution of this patent application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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